



Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
Dec 16, 2022 at 10:00 AM AKST

Members Present: Bethel Belisle, Melissa Dumas, Hannah St. George, Darcy Lucey, Rachel Pugh
Staff Present: Sara Chambers, Director; Megyn Grieder, AAG

Call to Order

Chair Belisle called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. All members declared they had no potential ethical conflicts to disclose. The chair reviewed the agenda, and no changes were suggested.

Review Regulations

The board reviewed the revised version of peer review regulations (LAW #2021200388) that had been returned from the Department of Law. AAG Grieder clarified that the revision was to clear up some language but that no substantive changes had been made. The board needed to review and, if they were agreeable, readopt; however, additional public notice is not required.

On a motion made by Rachel Pugh and seconded by Darcy Lucey, the board moved by unanimous consent to readopt the revised regulations as presented.

Director Chambers reiterated that the board's other active regulations project had been sent to Department of Law on November 30, and the division had not heard any updates.

Other Board Business

Chambers explained for the record that the delays in these projects will likely result in a tight turnaround prior to renewal. She pledged the division's intent to ensure transparent and frequent communication with licensees, as evidenced in the letter mailed to them all last week, so there were no surprises and any effects of this delay were mitigated.

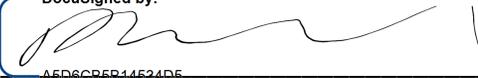
The board discussed the possibility of proposing further statute changes, especially if changes to Medicaid were proposed for midwives. Rachel Pugh volunteered to prepare a draft for circulation to the board prior to the January meeting. The board also recognized that the legislative audit was final now and should be discussed at the January meeting, as well.

Public Comment

No members of the public were in attendance.

Adjourned at 10:32

I certify these meeting minutes are true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

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Bethel Belisle, Chair

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Sara Chambers, Division Director